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REMARKS

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, Applicant has revised the Amendment to specify the paragraph to be amended in the specification.

No fee is believed to be due with this Response. However, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any fee which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 50-0665, under Order No.41826.8772US. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Based on the above amendments and remarks, applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application and its early allowance. If the Examiner has any questions or believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned at (206) 359-8548.

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